News of Virginia

DANIEL FOR PRESIDENCY.

Lieut. Gov. Ellyson Helps Boom Senator As Nominee.

Richmond (Special).—"Senator John W. Daniel, of Lynchburg, is my choice for the next President of the United States. I think that the South should come to the front and formulate the policy of the party and assume the leadership in the coming campaign. That is the policy advocated two years ago, and it is what I think today."

This statement was made by J. Taylor Ellyson, lieutenant governor of Virginia, who has been chairman of the State Central Democratic Committee for several years and is prominently identified with the Democratic party in Virginia for the last decade.

This indorsement of Senator Daniel by Ellyson virtually means that he will have the support of the Virginia delegation. He chooses to accept this honor that the Southern people will probably be willing to confer upon him.

STEALS TO WIN BRIDE.

Young Benedict Sentenced To Three Years In Prison.

Richmond (Special).—Russell W. Tomkins, charged with the embezzlement of a large sum of money from his former employers, the Va.-Ky. Chewsing Company, pleaded guilty and was sentensed to three years in the penitentiary.

The young man used the money to finance his courtship of a pretty Noble Brockenbrough, to whom he was married in Washington.

The couple took a boat for Savannah. On their honeymoon, Tomkins was arrested as he stepped from the gangplank. His wife refused to accompany him back to Virginia, and is probably now in Savannah. He was released on bail, but jumped his bail bond. He was rearrested in South Carolina.

KILLED BY LIVE WIRE.

Lineman Meets Death While Working In Shop Of Pole.

Richmond (Special).—William J. Fowler, of Baltimore, thirty-two years of age and married, a lineman on the Richmond and Chesapeake Bay Railway, a new line which is the property of the Consolidated Interests in Virginia, came in contact with an electric current while straining wires along the line, and was almost instantly killed.

The body of the young man became entangled in the wires and was suspended in the air for some time before it fell to the ground. The accident occurred on the brick road, several miles from the city.

Fowler was a prominent Odd Fellow.

MR. MILLER ASKS DAMAGES.

New York State Jamestown Commissioner Sues.

Norfolk (Special).—Hugh Gordon Miller, of the New York State Jamestown Commission and vice president of the Robert Fulton Memorial Association of New York, entered suit in the United States Court against the Hampton Roads Portsmouth Traction Company, claiming $25,000 damages for alleged insult, assault and battery by a conductor, to whom he protested against the operation of a car upon which he was riding, by an alleged intoxicated motorman. The plaintiff charges that he was beaten by the conductor and servant of the defendant company.

Pavilion Denied New Trial.

Newport News (Special).—Judge J. W. G. Blackstone, in the Circuit Court of Elizabeth City County, has refused a new trial to Julian Pavilion, the wife murderer, who was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. After the prisoner's attorneys had argued for a new trial in the Pavilnie declared that he should either be hanged or set free, and commented upon the incident of last week, when the judge went to sleep upon the bench.

The case will now go to the Court of Appeals. The principal argument for a new trial will be the conduct of the judge in the case, he remarked in the only plea in Pavlinic's defense.

Increase Under New Law.

Bristol (Special).—The first days of the operation of the 2-cent passenger rate in Virginia show a decided increase in local travel, which is particularly the case on the Virginia and Southwestern Railway, where the rate was, 4 cents a mile until the inauguration of the present rate.

It will probably be necessary to add an extra coach to trains on the Virginia division of this road. The new rate does not affect commutation tickets sold for interstate journeys, but only tickets sold for points within the State.

Seven Years For Beamer.

Lynchburg (Special).—Grover Beamer, of Patrick County, was sentenced by the Federal Court here of taking part in a conspiracy that resulted in the murder of Ambassador Hall. He was sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary. The four other young men, who, it is charged, took part in the murder, will be tried next week, the officials of the court are now engaged in summoning a venire.

Boy Killed On Circus Train.

Staunton (Special).—Ollie Grove, a Staunton youth, who, with four other Staunton boys, was stealing a ride on the train of Robbin's Circus, was killed and two other boys injured in Blue Ridge tunnel. An animal cage broke loose from its fastenings and crashed into the steam piano, under which the boys were sleeping. Several cages were injured, one animal killed and others injured, and a Rocky Mountain goat escaped from a broken cage at Basic City, but was later retcatured.

BARR'S REPLY IS FINAL.

He Declines To Withdraw His Resignation From Fair.

Norfolk (Special).—James M. Barr, director general of the Jamestown Exposition, who, following his recent resignation, was requested by the board of directors to continue in the executive head of the exposition, sent his final reply to the directors, declining to withdraw his resignation and asking to be relieved of at once.

Mr. Barr's letter was sent immediately following a conference with Judge T. S. Garnett, chairman, and Rear Admiral Harrison, U. S. N., retired, of the committee named by the directors to take up the direction of the unfinished work with all expenditures in this department to be approved by the director general.

Mr. Barr's letter is as follows:

"To the Board of Directors, Jamestown Exposition Company.

"Gentlemen—I have received your request, adopted at your meeting held on the 24th inst. (with, I am informed, but one dissenting vote), that I withdraw my resignation as director general, tendered on the 16th inst., and I beg to say in reply, that full consideration of the whole has greatly value and fully appreciate this expression of confidence in me, I cannot do so under the conditions existing, and therefore beg to ask that it be accepted.

"In accepting the director generalship of the exposition, at a time when the resources of your company were limited, and when the organization, in consequence, faced disaster, I was actuated only by a desire to serve it in any capacity until it had been conducted to a conclusion, if the conditions imposed by me, accepted by you and incorporated in your by-laws, were recognized and enforced. This, for reasons satisfactory to you, has not been done, and being, in consequence, powerless to do the things for the exposition which its reputation and success, in my opinion, demanded, I respectfully beg to be relieved of the duties of director general as soon as the exposition was completed in a thorough manner as a creditable exposition, believing my full obligations thereto had been performed, under the circumstances existing.

Discord Runs Riot.

"As the exposition has been completed, it can now be easily conducted. It can be financed if discord is eliminated from its management, and I am sure I can be of more service in an unofficial capacity, I would be glad to have you call upon me.

"I beg to express through you my thorough appreciation of and thanks for the urgent request made to me by the members of the State Commission, Commissioners, the business men of Norfolk, and the concessionaires that I be induced to continue in office, and to say that I would have pleased if compliance with their wishes if it were possible for me to do so.

"Yours very truly,

"J. M. BARR."

The refusal to withdraw his resignation as director general has left the management of the Jamestown Exposition in a chaotic condition. No director or other exposition official can be found who will venture a prediction as to the final outcome of the unsettled affair.

Following the issuance of Barr's letter the resignation of John M. Wakefield, as director of concessions and admissions, and also that of H. Walton Wood, chief of that department, were handed in. It is also said that the resignations of Stephen Bell, director of advertising, and W. M. Dixon, assistant to the director general, are also ready. Wakefield and Holton came into the exposition management about the time that Barr was made director general. They are from Missouri and were connected with the St. Louis Exposition. Dixon was promoted to his present position by Director Barr, from newspaper work.

It is a matter of course.

Dead On Virginia Mountain.

Clifton Forge (Special).—A telegraphic message received here from the Rich Path Mines, at settlement in the mountains of Alleghany County, states that the body of an unidentified man, about thirty-six years old was found dead Sunday beside an overturned mountain path, far removed from the main road. The body was nude, with the exception of a shirt and there was nothing with which to identify him. The only theory advanced is that the man was either murdered or died in a nearby house and was taken to the mountains to save the cost of a burial.

Hounds Capture Burglar.

Suffolk (Special).—After being chased six miles by bloodhounds, Eugene Pollard, a negro burglar, was captured near Beaman. Pollard broke into the house of William Bedford, at Magnolia, about 1 o'clock and shortly afterward entered George Hollida's house. Pollard confessed. Two watches and $12 in currency were recovered.

VIRGINIA OBITUARY.

Fredericksburg.—Walter Holliday, a prominent citizen, who came here one year ago, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. T. Hawkins, in this city, of brain affection, after an illness of two weeks, aged 67 years.

Fredericksburg.—Mrs. John H. Swift, of Spottsylvania County, mother of Commonwealth's Attorney Capt. R. Swift, of this city, died at her home near Granite Springs after a protracted illness, at an advanced age. She is survived by her husband and several children.

Staunton.—Samuel H. McCue, of Port Defiance, died, aged 64 years. He was a member of the first Virginia Cavalry during the Civil War, and was one of Augusta's most substantial citizens. He leaves a widow, two sons and two daughters.

Captain Spelterni, the Swiss aeronaut, has just finished a wonderful achievement, namely, the crossing of the Alps in a balloon. This was his three hundred and thirty-ninth ascent and his modesty does not record a single accident in any of them.

NEW RATES IN EFFECT.

Two Cents A Mile Now On Ten Railroads In State.

Richmond (Special).—Beginning at 12.01 o'clock P. M. Monday the new passenger rates took effect in Virginia, to remain permanently unless the order of the State corporation commission is set aside by the Supreme Court of the United States. On ten railroads the rate will be 2 cents a mile, and on others it will run from 2½ to 2¾ cents.

The commission prescribed a 2-cent rate for the following roads: Norfolk and Western, Chesapeake and Ohio, Atlantic Coast Line, Seaboard Air Line, Southern Railway, Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac, the Chesapeake and Western, New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railway, Virginia and Southwestern Railway, and the Louisville and Nashville Railway.

WEDDINGS OF THE WEEK.

Evidence Against Negro Accused Of Murder Rests On This.

Norfolk (Special).—Thomas Archer, the negro held as suspect in the murder of Mrs. Mary Lucas Horschach, of Portsmouth, in her home in the early morning of September 19, was given a preliminary hearing before Mayor Reed and held for the grand jury.

The same witnesses who have already told their stories to the police retold them to the jury. The only new and damaging evidence brought out against Archer was given by Detective Land and Police officer Elliott. They testified that when searched the officer's clothing after he had been arrested in his home, told of the finding on one of the lapels of his coat of several strands of hair of the exact color of Mrs. Horschach's. This statement seemed to excite the prisoner. He twisted in his chair and shook his head. Elliott told of having seen a man enter Archer's house at 4.20 o'clock in the morning and that the shoes worn by Archer when arrested fit the tracks found leading up to the door.

The hearing of the case consumed more than three hours and, although there was much evidence of a circumstantial nature connecting Archer with the crime, no new evidence of a conclusive nature was produced. The Mayor refused Archer bail.

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Brothers And Fiance Of Miss Richardson Remove All Doubt.

Richmond (Special).—Mrs. Richardson and W. C. Richardson, brothers of Miss Mamie Richardson, whose body was taken from the rocks of James River, accompanied by William P. Wright, the girl's fiance, to whom she was to have been married Saturday, with whom she was crossing the Rivanna River in a buggy at night, several months ago, for the purpose of attending a social function, when the buggy upset in the high water, drowning her, positively identified the body of the young woman.

VIRGINIA WEDDINGS.

Charlottesville.—M. D. McBride, of Houma, La., and Miss Nellie Cleveland Watson, daughter of the late A. S. Watson, were married at the residence of the bride's mother, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Dr. George L. Petrie, pastor of the Presbyterian Church assisted by Rev. Mr. Blackwell, of Houma, La. The marriage was a quiet one and there were no attendants.

Leesburg.—Miss Bessie L. Downs, daughter of Cleero Downs, of Lincoln, was married to James N. Moore, of Reidsville, Rockingham County, N. C. The ceremony was performed at the bride's home by Rev. S. V. Hildebrand, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of Hamilton. Mr. and Mrs. Moore will reside in Reidsville.

Danville.—Mrs. Hattie Blair and W. E. Thomas, of this city, were married at Pelham, N. C. The wedding was a surprise to the friends of the contracting parties. They left shortly after the ceremony for a honeymoon to the Jamestown Exposition.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

It is estimated that there are 50,000 dogs in Great Britain.

A square foot of a Persian rug means 25 days' work for the weaver.

Paris possesses the largest public gardens and the largest hospital.

The Bank of England represents $15,000,000 specie.

Herrings are being sold in the streets of Sunderland, England, at 60 for a penny.

Squares, triangles and similar implements used by draftsmen are now made of glass.

The average cost of maintaining a prisoner in an English prison is about $125 per year.

Nearly half the meat eaten in Berlin is beef; pork comes next, then mutton, while veal is fourth.

Over 70 per cent. of the natives of India till the land; hence the population is scattered, and their power of cooperation is greatly lessened.

One of the most remarkable railway bridges in the world is that which connects Venice with the mainland. Built on 222 arches, it is 12,- 950 feet long.

The increase of the rice crop in this country has been the means of booming a great portion of Texas land, so that it is, now worth 10 times what it was valued at 10 years ago.

Germany produces more honey than any other European country, furnishing 20,000 tons annually.

The Queen of Holland discourages dancing so far as she is able. She is an ardent lover of all animals.

There is a rich prize offered by the King of Belgium for the discovery of a remedy for sleeping sickness.

Consul I. A. Manning, of Carthagena, reports that a recent census of the Colombian State of Bolivar furnishes a population of 287,359, of which 46,266 are in the Province of Carthagena.

The News

Domestic.

Patrick Dolan, formerly president of the Pittsburg District, No. 5, of the United Mineworkers of America, who was defeated for re-election following the last great bituminous coal strike, will again contest for the presidency.

From statements compiled from the Galena Signal Oil Company's books it was shown that the amount of the refund of refiners on the invoice prices of oil was in some cases nearly 50 per cent.

An extensive campaign for the improvement of the milk supply and betterment of sanitary conditions in markets will be made throughout the United States by the Grange.

H. J. McCracken & Co., the oldest wholesale produce commission firm in Pittsburg, has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States Court.

In an address before the Chicago Women's Club Superintendent Elson, of the public schools of Cleveland, O., advocated higher salaries for male teachers.

The Wholesale Druggists' Association declares the Anti-Trust Law is too radical and recommends legislation that will permit reasonable trade agreements.

Dr. Willis James bequeaths the sum of $1,000,000, divided into the following: $100,000 to colleges and church and charitable organizations, Four Hundred Dollars to Mrs. Mary Lamb Horschach, of Portsmouth, in her home in the early morning of September 19, was given a preliminary hearing before Mayor Reed and held for the grand jury.

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SAYS HIS WEALTH IS ONLY A TRUST

Rockefeller's Attitude Toward His Fortune.

RESPONSIBLE TO GOD ALONE.

Regards Himself Only as Steward of the Standard Oil Wealth, and Believes He Has Been Entrusted by Providence With Care of Property of Many Widows and Orphans.

New York (Special). — John D. Rockefeller's private conception of himself, heretofore never allowed to become public, which is that he is only the steward of the Standard Oil wealth, responsible to God alone for his stewardship, was announced Sunday morning by the Rev. Robert S. Macarthur, the rector of Calvary Baptist Church, at Sixth Avenue and Fifty-seventh Street, before his regular young people's Sunday morning class. Mr. Macarthur in the course of a defense of Mr. Rockefeller and the Standard Oil Company said:

"A few years ago someone asked Mr. Rockefeller privately why it was that, since he had such a tremendous fortune and his estates were so simple that he could not possible use one-tenth of his income, he did not retire. Mr. Rockefeller then made a reply which he did not intend should be made public. It was simply an attitude of his mind not appreciable to the public.

"I am the trustee of the property of others," he said. 'Standard Oil is providence of God committed to my care. I am a trustee for many interests belonging in great part to widows and orphans and others who have invested in the company. To me this holding I am responsible to God. I am not free to sell it as I would like, the Standard Oil Company I would myself in the position of being unfaithful according to the popular supposition that my wealth is invested in the company's business. Therefore, I feel it my duty to God and to the people who have money in avenues of my company to continue active in its interface."

The Rev. Mr. Macarthur was asked after his address about the correctness of the quotation he had cited. He said that it was absolutely authentic, and he intimated that he himself was the one who had heard it. He declined, however, to state his position in the world. In his address he declared that the success of the Standard Oil Company," Dr. Macarthur had something to say about the character of Rockefeller.

"Everything connected with the Standard Oil Company is colossal," he said. "Mr. Rockefeller's income is enormously great, and his magnificent contributions are corresponding- ly great. He has given a large amount of money to educational, humanitarian and religious objects and more than has ever before been given by a living man. I do not believe that no man in the past quarter century has had so large an income, and certainly no one has ever had such a proportion of his income to these benevolent enterprises.

"When the hatred and cry of this present time against Mr. Rockefeller and his great wealth shall have passed away I am confident that he will be more positively loved throughout the world as a marvelous genius, the organizer of the world's greatest business and the generous friend of the needy. Mr. Rockefeller need not disturb himself with the present pother against him. He can afford to wait for the unprejudiced judgment of posterity."

FOUR COOKED ALIVE.

Twenty Others Are Fatally Injured By Explosion.

Butler, Pa. (Special).—An explosion, caused by the upsetting of the metal pot in the No. 1 cupola of the Standard Steel Company here, caused the death of 4 persons instantly and 20 and seriously injured 10 others. Nearly all the men were foreigners.

The large wheel plant, 150 by 160 feet, was destroyed, the damage is estimated at $100,000.

Hot metal was showered over the men, causing horrible injuries. Many jumped into the river and while a number of the men had been rescued from the water, most of them are in the hospital, with their skin burned to a crisp.

Physicians say the physicians attending the injured said that at least in the case of two men the brains in the city, from the force of the explosion, were forced out. The shock of the earthquake and people rushed from their homes, thinking that the terrible flames shot from the burning car-works fully 10,000 people rushed to the scene, blocking the streets and interfering with fire companies and ambulances which were soon on hand. The accident 15 doctors were on the scene and the wounded were carried into the office of the car company, where they were cared for.

Through lack of room many of the injured were compelled to lie for an hour on the floor of cars, before it was possible to take them to the hospital, a mile and a half away. Members of the fire department and citizens assisted in caring for the men, who were totally naked and suffering intensely with the cold.

Roosevelt Still Gaining Flesh.

Oyster Bay (Special).—Word has been received here that President Roosevelt spent in Washington, after his return from Oyster Bay and before leaving for the West and South, it was a matter of remark among persons who saw him how much he had gained in weight during his sojourn at Sagamore Hill. Just before leaving for Canton the President, in conversation with one of his friends, owned up to 210 pounds.

Jealousy Causes Tragedy.

New York (Special).—Insanely jealous of his handsome young wife, Frank Barschler, a Brooklyn saloon keeper, shot her to death and then killed himself. The bodies were found in the apartments which the couple had occupied. In the kitchen there were evidences that Mrs. Bohn-rueller was preparing breakfast when she was shot down. The husband's body was found in the bedroom. Neighbors said the couple quarreled frequently because of the husband's jealousy.

SUPPLIES FOR BIG FLEET

Great Amount of Food to Be Contracted For.

Washington (Special).—Bids were opened at the Navy Department for furnishing food supplies for the vessels of Admiral Evans' battleship fleet on its coming trip to the Pacific Coast.

Soon after the determination was reached to dispatch the fleet on its long cruise, the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts began preparing advertisements asking for bids for furnishing the necessary food supplies, and these were accompanied by detailed schedules indicating just what is wanted. These advertisements and schedules were sent to large dealers throughout the country. The amount asked for approximates 6,000,000 pounds, made up, perhaps, of two dozen kinds of articles of food, besides quantities of fruit extracts, eggs and table delicacies, are to be delivered at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. The items for which proposals were asked included the following:

Twenty thousands pounds of prunes, 475,000 pounds of tinned peaches, 50,000 pounds of tinned pears, 225,000 pounds of tinned apricots, 30,000 pounds of evaporated apples, a similar amount of evaporated peaches, 15,000 pounds of lobsters, 10,000 gallons of vinegar, 25,000 pounds of evaporated milk, 30,000 pounds of condensed milk, 30,000 gallons of beans, 65,000 pounds of tinned beans, 200,000 pounds of tinned peas, 1,000 pounds of pepper, 2,500 pounds of tinned tomatoes, 2,000 pounds of ginger, 2,500 pounds of mustard, 25,000 pounds of salt, 100,000 pounds of rice, 10,000 pounds of spring wheat flour, 21,000 pounds of corn flour, 50,000 pounds of meal, 500 gallons of vanilla and lemon extract, 1,000 pounds of tapioca, 5,000 gallons of tomato catsup, 30,- 000 pounds sauer kraut, 3,000,- 000 pounds of onions, 800,000 pounds of potatoes, 50,000 pounds of turkeys, 57,000 dozen eggs, 80,- 000 pounds of canned salmon, 150,- 000 pounds of tinned lard, 1,000,000 pounds of fresh beef, 100,000 pounds of fresh pork, 50,000 pounds of tinned ham, 100,000 pounds of salt pork, 100,000 pounds of tinned corn beef, 300,000 pounds of tinned beans, 300,000 pounds of smoked hams, 15,- 000 pounds of pork loins, 800,000 pounds of veal, 10,000 pounds of cranberries, 30,000 pounds of bologna, a large amount of bologna and of pork sausage, 500,000 pounds of lead cheese, 100,000 pounds of 40-60 mixed nuts of chipped beef, 6,000 pounds of dried beef, 6,000 pounds of assorted cheese, 10,000 pounds of assorted confections of shredded fish, butter, glucose and fruit, delicacies, 10,000 pounds of mixed nuts, cottonseed oil, potato chips, baking powder, baking soda and tapioca.

The proposals submitted covered 22 out of the 26 classes of supplies called for by the department, the exceptions being the classes of tinned peaches and one class of tinned asparagus, in which the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts asked for about 200,000 pounds. The absence of offers for tinned peaches is attributed to a shortage in the market of this article, the output being only about two to nine proposals were submitted in each case. Awards will be made as soon as the contracts for the same are passed upon by the general board of the navy, responsible to God alone.

Announcement was made that the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company, of Pittsburg, will at once begin the erection of four additional open hearth furnaces. The improvement involves an actual outlay of capital considerably over $1,000,000.

The consolidation between the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Missouri Pacific and Iron Mountain Railroad systems was settled, the adjustment covering all points at issue.

Foreign.

The Rev. George Boardman Taylor, first pastor of the Franklin Square Baptist Church, of Baltimore, and for 25 years president of the Baptist Mission in Italy, died in Rome.

The strike of the railroad employes of Australia for increased wages, which began May 1, is spreading and the serious inconvenience to the public is increasing every day.

Mulal Hafid, with his army, plans to capture his brother, the Sultan Abdul Aziz, and then proclaim himself sultan.

Valentine Cotrel, a woman of Geneva, was sentenced to six months in prison for mutilating a painting in the Louvre.

During the year 1906 there were 1,910 attempts to commit suicide among the pupils of the Russian high schools.

The Chinese decree obtained by Mme. Anna Gould from Count de Castellane has been made absolute.

French physicians have decided to increase rates to patients owing to the rise in the cost of living.

Eight workmen of the Narva flax spinning mills in St. Petersburg were sentenced to death by a military court for the murder of the manager of the works.

Speaking at the opening of medical schools in London said the medical practitioner would disappear and his place be taken by the health officer.

The German government has decided to move naval headquarters from Kiel to Wilhelmshaven.

The Cook polar expedition is reported to be wintering at Smith's Island, lat. 79 N.

Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary has an attack of bronchial catarrh.

Secretary Taft was received by private audience by the Emperor of Japan.

The restriction against Jews in Russian high schools has been removed.

The British authorities at Hongkong have asked the ambassador to H. Adcett, former sergeant of the American legation guard at Peking, on the charge of murdering Hartford Dayton, whose body was found in a trunk.

A 1,600-pound tongue in a belt in a St. Petersburg church fell during the service and created a panic.

Major General Sir John Charles Ardagh, of England, died at Carnarvon, Wales.

The Aerial Experimenting Association has been organized at Halifax, N. S.

PRESIDENT DEMANDS A GREATER NAVY

Roosevelt's Strong Plea For National Preparedness.

PLANS FOR THE BATTLESHIPS.

The President's Address to the Men of the Middle West—As Big a Job as Those Who Criticise the Naval Program—Federal Supervision of Great Corporations.

Cairo, Ill. (Special).—In his speech here, the fourth of the series planned for the trip, President Roosevelt made, an emphatic plea for a great navy, uttered the significant statement that the United States was beginning a course, which he hoped would be followed hereafter, of keeping our great battleship fleet alternately in the Pacific and in the Atlantic, and referred to our army as "indicrously small."

The President referred to Charles Dickens' "Martin Chuzzlewit" as a story which would be beneficial to a pessimist of today, the cynicism of the gloomy view taken of the Western region by the author, in contrast to the grand development which there and the wonderful development of the country generally, a wholesome lesson. He spoke of the necessity of warring against evil in politics, business and private life, and referred to the pessimistic view taken by Mr. Dickens in a story as a picture which was, on the whole, untrue.

War Against Wrongdoers.

Returning to his story, he said:

"Friends, there is every reason why we should fight whatever is evil in the present. But there is also every reason why we should feel a hardy and confident hope for the future. There are many signs to encourage us; there are many and powerful wrongdoers against whom we should be base to shrink from the contest, or to fail to wage it with a high, a resolute will. But I am sure that we shall win in the contest, because I believe that the heart of our people is sound.

"Most decent men and women are good men and women—and the is true in all sections of our country and among all classes of our countrymen. There is no other nation on earth with such natural resources, or with such a high standard of living, and of industrial efficiency among its workers.

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To illustrate this, consider for a moment two phases of governmental action.

Our International Attitude.

First as to our foreign affairs. Among your own neighbors, among your own people, you would think you like to see a man take toward his fellows, the attitude you will each of you take toward the world? It goes out into the world? It is not good for us to have so small a ability to hold his own if anyone tries to bully him, while at the same time showing careful regard not only for the rights but for the feelings of others? Of course it is!

Of course the type of man whom we respect, and whom we admire, is the man who is a gentleman, and a kinsman, whom we are glad to have as a friend or neighbor, is the man who is no milksop, who is not afraid, who is able to exercise not hesitate to resent insult or injury, but who himself never inflicts insult or injury wantonly and unprovoked, and who is kindly, considered, thoughtful of others' rights—in short, a good man who is strong with or have live in the next house to us, as a friend, or on the other hand, the man who lacks any of those qualities is sure to be objectionable.

Nation is afraid to hold his own, if he will submit tamely to wrongdoing, he is contemptible. If he is a bully, an oppressor, a man who wrongs or insults others, he is even worse and should be hunted down by the community.

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